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Committees: Appropriations (Subcommittees: Agriculture (Minority Vice Chair); General Government)

Biography: Democrat, of Pontiac; lifelong city of Pontiac resident; Pontiac Central High School graduate; Associate of Arts degree Oakland Community College, Auburn Hills; B.A., sociology/psychology; B.A., secondary education; secondary teacher certification; master's candidate, Oakland University; JFK School of Government alumnus, Harvard University; wife, Lorene; sons, Kaino and Damani; served four years in U.S. Air Force; Vietnam-era veteran; served ten years in Air Force Reserves as Human Relations instructor; graduate of Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute; teacher in secondary education for 25 years; director of Alternative Education in Oak Park school district for seven years; elected to Pontiac City Council three times, three years as City Council president; Pontiac Planning Commission member for nine years; City Council liaison to Cable Advisory Board for ten years; member, Welcome Missionary Baptist Church; charter member, Oakland County Veterans Group; member, Pontiac/Oakland Democratic Club; affiliated with Pontiac Schools athletic programs, 25 years; co-founder of Annual Center reunion, 25 years; organized city-wide Law Fair; recipient of Black History Month Community Service Award, Lakeside Achievement Award, Greater Pontiac Community Coalition Award, achievement award from the Black Professional and Business Women Organization, Oakland Community College Alumni of the Year Award, 2002; elected to the House of Representatives, 2000, 2002, 2004; Democratic Whip.

